

**Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting
November 4, 2013
Municipal Building
90 N. West Street
Spencer, IN 47460**

Board Members present: Cynthia Hyde and Dean Bruce, Jon Stantz

Also present: Clerk-Treasurer Cheryl Moke, Attorney Richard Lorenz, Chief Officer Richard Foutch, Sewer Superintendent John Hodge.

MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR October 21st, 2013 REGULAR MEETING
Jon Stantz made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. It was seconded and passed.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC ISSUES

Adam Hall, with Habitat for Humanity made a presentation about his organization, and the neighborhood stabilization program in Gosport. He also expressed an interest in starting a similar program in Spencer. The Board agreed that they would like to collaborate on projects in the future.

IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Officer Foutch reported that he had three resignations recently from the Reserves. He plans to wait until the first of the year to review applications and make recommendations for their replacement. He also stated they set a new record for their collection on Drug Take Back Day. He also reported that the Halloweenie Roast was a big success.

IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT

Nothing to report. Mr. Parrish was not present.

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT

John Hodge reported on repairs and maintenance at the plant, including a repair to a sludge pump which required Board approval in the amount of \$1,854.00.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the repair bill from Zylem in the amount of \$1,854.00. The motion was seconded and passed.

He also reported that a pump was out of service, and presented an estimate for repair, and an estimate for replacement, whichever the Board thought was best. The replacement has a 5 year warranty, while the repair only has a 90 day warranty. The estimates were \$3,153.20 for repair and \$3,857.40 to replace. Since the pump is 15 years old, the Board opted to replace it.

Dean Bruce made a motion to replace the pump in the amount of \$3,857.40, the motion was seconded and passed.

John Hodge reported that the new sewer line for Hoosier Energy has been connected.

IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING/ZONING

Planning Commission Resolution 2013-11 and 12, by applicant BBP Water Corp for properties at 850 Hillside Avenue, 256 W. Clay, 467 and 405 S. West Street were presented for rezoning to BLM1 to the Board for approval.

Planning Commission Resolution 2013-13 and 14, by applicant Community Natural Gas Co., Inc., for properties at 891 W. Indiana and 870 W. Hillside, 261 W. Clay Street and W. Clay Street were presented for rezoning to BLM1 to the Board for approval.

Dean Bruce made two motions to approve the four Planning Commission Resolutions for rezoning the above referenced properties to BLM1. Both motions were seconded and passed.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY

Richard Lorenz reported that the new ordinance to amend the Flood Damage Prevention code is in progress, and will be presented at the next meeting for review.

Mr. Lorenz also said that the bereavement policy for the County had been updated and he would send it around for review so that the Board could consider it for updating the Town's policy as well. He said there were several other policies that need to be reviewed and changed.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

Date for the next work session will be November 6th, at 6 pm. Topics for discussion will be Stellar Communities, Safe Routes to School, lighting, and future planning.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

INDOT has requested a Ribbon cutting ceremony for sometime the week of November 17th. Jon Stantz will contact them to arrange a date and time.

Jon Stantz reported that they are continuing to work on the Solid Waste District.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Claims were presented for approval. Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the claims as presented. It was seconded and passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Cynthia Hyde, President	Jon Stantz, Vice-President	Dean Bruce, Board Member

Attest: _____
Cheryl Moke, Clerk-Treasurer